



**SEX OFFENDER TREATMENT PROVIDER (SOTP) ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

DATE: December 12, 2005

PLACE: Department of Health
Point Plaza East
310 Israel Rd. SE, Room 153
Tumwater, WA 98501

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Deborah Doane
Victoria Foedisch
Ione S. George
Jan Horning (Absent)
Gerald Hover
Jack Sowers
Judge Gary Tabor
Lang Taylor (Absent)

STAFF: Bob Nicoloff, Executive Director
Karen Kelley, Program Manager
Megan McCormack, Program Representative

**ASSISTANT ATTORNEY
GENERAL (AAG):** Geoff Hymans, AAG (Absent)

1. CALL TO ORDER – Jack Sowers, Chair 9:09 a.m.

1.1 Introductions of Committee members and staff.

1.2 Agenda was approved as presented.

1.3 The September 19, 2005 meeting minutes were approved as presented.

2. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIR - Jack Sowers

- 2.1** Mr. Sowers attended the Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (ATSA) 24th Annual Research and Treatment Conference held in Salt Lake City, Utah, November 16-19, 2005 and provided an overview of the conference to the Committee. He shared some topics of discussion which included; does treatment really work on sex offenders, the California study on re-offense rates and information on a presentation given by Daniel Bergener, Journalist for The New York Times on his participation in a Sex Offender group treatment session.

3. DISCIPLINARY AND LICENSING

3.1 Complaint/Disciplinary Statistics:

Open Cases	7
Intake/Assessment	0
Investigation	6
Case Disposition	1

3.2 Credential Statistics:

Full Certification Sex Offender Treatment Providers:

Active-114

Inactive-1

Expired-37

Affiliate Sex Offender Treatment Providers:

Active-41

Inactive-0

Expired-97

Totals for Both Certifications:

Active-155

Inactive-1

Expired-134

4. PROGRAM REPORT – KAREN KELLEY AND BOB NICOLOFF

- 4.1** Karen Kelley and Megan McCormack provided committee members with an update on committee appointments. There is one vacant position for a treatment provider, this position should be filled by the April 10, 2006 meeting.
- 4.2** Karen Kelley distributed the November 2005 issue of “The Sentinel”.
- 4.3** Karen Kelley informed members of the 2006 meeting dates.

- 4.4 Megan McCormack gave an update on her research of other jurisdictions using an exam for SOTP credentialing.
- 4.5 Karen Kelley distributed the Roberts Rules of Order that the Board of Pharmacy uses.
- 4.6 Karen Kelley distributed a Sample Supervisory contract. This contract may have changes due to proposed rule changes.
- 4.7 Committee members reviewed the application, exam and study guide for SOTP credentialing. They asked Karen to add the exam and study guide to a future agenda for more review.
- 4.8 Bob Nicoloff discussed Secretary of Health, Mary Seelckey's memo about disciplinary priorities. The committee asked that disciplinary manager Tammy Benson be available at a future meeting to discuss current trends in SOTP discipline.

5. RULE-MAKING

- 5.1 Committee members reviewed and provided comments on the following rules:
 - WAC 246-930-010 General Definitions.
 - WAC 246-930-040 Professional experience required prior to examination.
 - WAC 246-930-050 Education required for affiliate prior to examination.
 - WAC 246-930-060 Professional experience required for affiliate prior to examination.
 - WAC 246-930-075 Description of supervision of affiliates.
 - WAC 246-930-320 Standards for SSOSA and SSODA assessment and evaluating reports.
 - WAC 246-930-330 Standards for treatment. Introduction – SSOSA/SSODA offender treatment.

6 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Karen Kelley, Program Manager

Jack Sowers, Chair